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SUBJECT: HIGH-LEVEL YUGOSLAV VISIT TO PANAMA

REF: PANAMA 4308

1. LOCAL PRESS CARRIES ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISIT TO PANAMA, BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 8, OF HIGH-LEVEL YUGOSLAV POLITICAL, ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL DELEGATION HEADED BY DR. KIRO GLIGOROV, PRESIDENT OF YUGOSLAV LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, WHO IS IDENTIFIED AS SECOND MOST IMPORTANT MAN IN YUGOSLAVIA. FAIRLY EXTENSIVE BIO OF GLIGOROV ACCOMPANIED ARTICLES IN PRO-GOP MATUTINO AND INDEPENDENT ESTRELLA, VISIT WAS ALSO ANNOUNCED ON GOVERNMENT RADIO (FBIS/PANAMA 040252Y).

2. VISITORS WILL BE "ATTNEDED" BY PRESIDENT OF NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF CORREGIMIENTO REPRESENTATIVES DR. RAUL CHANG AND LIC. MARCELINO JAEN, PRESIDENT OF LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION. (FYI: USUAL PRACTICE IS FOR VISITING DELEGATIONS FROM SOCIALIST COUNTRIES TO BE HOSTED BY LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION; CHANG INVOLVEMENT IS ATTRIBUTED IN ARTICLE TO SPECIAL RECOGNITION OF HIGH RANK OF DELEGATION.

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END FYI).

3. BEYOND SPECIFICATION THAT DELEGATION WOULD BE
POLITICAL, ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL, NO ANNOUNCEMENT WAS
MADE OF MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED DURING VISIT.

4. COMMENT: THIS VISIT COMES AGAINST BACKGROUND OF
INCREASINGLY ACTIVE YUGOSLAV-PANAMANIAN ECONOMIC COOPERATION
AND JOINT ECONOMIC COMMUNIQUE SIGNED BY BOTH COUNTRIES LAST
JUNE (REFTEL). WHILE PANAMA HAS BEEN SEEING INCREASED
ECONOMIC AND OTHER RELATIONS WITH SOCIALIST COUNTRIES IN
GENERAL, PARTICULARLY AS MARKETS FOR PANAMANIAN PRODUCTS
SUCH AS BANANAS COOPERATION WITH YUGOSLAVIA AND YUGOSLAV
ECONOMIC PRESENCE IN PANAMA ARE BY FAR MOST ADVANCED.

END COMMENT.

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